Why do we need a POCD?

The Hartford Planning and Zoning Commission is charged by Section 8-23 of the Connecticut General Statutes to prepare a Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) for the City and update the Plan every ten years. Hartford's last Plan was adopted in 1996.

Over this period, Hartford has experienced many changes in economic and physical conditions while many of its assets have become more valuable. POCD 2020 will take these changes, as well as a variety of planning efforts, into account in order to create a dynamic, 10—year vision for Hartford's development.

What is the purpose of "One City, One Plan?"

The purpose of "One City, One Plan" is to articulate the best thinking regarding the future growth of Hartford and to give direction to both public and private development. It also serves as the basis for all municipal planning and zoning decisions. POCD 2020 should not be thought of as a rigid blueprint, but rather as a general guide for growth in Hartford.

The Plan guides land use regulations, as well as capital budget allocations and as such will impact the future development of Hartford for the next decade and beyond.

How can Hartford Citizens Participate?

You can participate in this POCD 2020 planning process by providing your observations, comments and recommendations to the Planning & Zoning Commission at public community forums, through the email feature of our website, and by participating at listening sessions and hearings to be held as the plan moves forward over the next 6 months.

Over the past decade, many planning initiatives have been undertaken. These initiatives are the foundation upon which the POCD 2020 plan will be built.

In order to meet a June 2010 State of Connecticut deadline for completion the Planning and Zoning Commission will hold four Community Listening Sessions in February to obtain additional comments. A draft POCD 2020 will be submitted to City Council and the CRCOG in late February, starting the required 65-day advisory comment period for these entities. Official POCD public hearings will be held in May, and the Planning and Zoning Commission will consider the final draft later that month.

The Planning & Zoning Commission will consider all the comments received prior to adoption of the plan.

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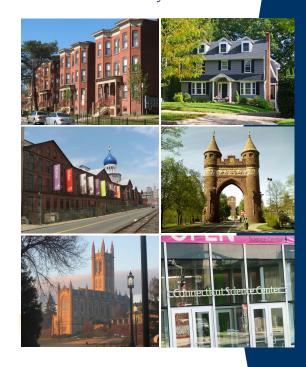
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What is "One City, One Plan" POCD 2020?

POCD 2020 is a vision plan that will guide public and private development and policy decisions over the next ten years. It is also a comprehensive source for information about all of Hartford's planning efforts.

The following themes are present throughout the document:

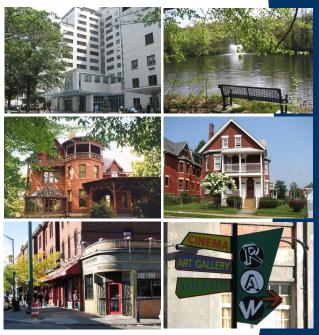
- 1. Promote livable and sustainable neighborhoods;
- 2. Protect the City's natural and built environment;
- Enhance mobility through transit, pedestrian and bike systems city-wide;
- 4. Advance downtown's role as the region's center for commerce, culture and city living; and
- 5. Promote and encourage the integration of sustainable practices.



POCD 2020 covers topics ranging from natural resources to housing to economic development. Each of these plan elements provide background information, conditions maps, analysis of trends and conditions, and goals and recommendations for future actions.

What planning efforts will be taken into account in the development of "One City, One Plan" POCD 2020?

- NRZ Strategic Plans
- Neighborhood Development Plans
- Hartford 2010
- ULI Advisory Services Panel Report
- Riverfront Recapture Plan
- The iQuilt Plan
- City-Neighborhood Connections
 Plan
- City Redevelopment Plans
- Housing Authority Plans
- MDC Plans
- CDBG Consolidated Plan
- The Capital Budget
- Capitol Region COG POCD
- State of Connecticut POCD
- And more...



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